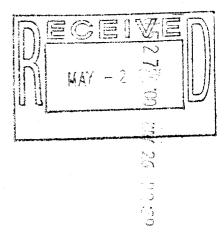


April 20, 2000

Office of Special Nutritionals (HFS-450) Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition Food and Drug Administration 200 C Street SW Washington, DC 20204



Dear Food and Drug Administration,

Herbalist & Alchemist, Inc., manufacturer, located at 51 South Wandling Ave., Washington, NJ 07882 is marketing the following product:

Horsetail/Yellowdock Compound

containing: sarsaparilla

yellowdock burdock seed horsetail

red alder bark

bearing a structure/function claim of: Promotes Healthy Skin We have substantiation to support this claim.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth D. Bancroft

51 South Wandling Ave. Washington, NJ 07882

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